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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 SEO DEVELOPMENT, LLC, et al.,

11 Plaintiffs,

12 v.

13 GORDON THOMAS

14 HONEYWELL, LLP, et al.,

15 Defendants.

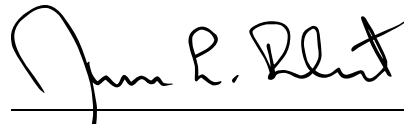
CASE NO. C18-1551JLR

ORDER DISMISSING
COMPLAINT FOR LACK OF
SUBJECT MATTER
JURISDICTION

16 Plaintiffs filed their complaint on October 19, 2018, alleging federal subject matter
17 jurisdiction based on the parties' diversity of citizenship under 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a)(1).
18 (*See* Compl. (Dkt. # 1) ¶¶ 35-42.) On November 8, 2018, the court issued an order to
19 show cause regarding the court's subject matter jurisdiction. (OSC (Dkt. # 12).) The
20 court explained that, for the purpose of assessing diversity jurisdiction, the court must
21 consider the citizenship of all members or partners of a limited liability partnership, such
22 as Defendant Gordon Thomas Honeywell, LLP ("GTH"). (*Id.* at 2.) However, Plaintiffs

1 failed to allege the citizenship of GTH's members or partners. (*Id.* (citing Compl.)). The
2 court ordered Plaintiffs to show cause within 14 days why the court should not dismiss
3 their complaint without prejudice for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. (*Id.* at 3.) On
4 December 3, 2018, Plaintiffs filed a late response to the court's order stating that they
5 "have no objection to the court's dismissal in accordance with the [o]rder to [s]how
6 [c]ause." (OSC Resp. (Dkt. # 17).) Accordingly, the court DISMISSES Plaintiffs'
7 complaint without prejudice because Plaintiffs failed to demonstrate the court's subject
8 matter jurisdiction.¹

9 Dated this 5th day of December, 2018.

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12 JAMES L. ROBART
13 United States District Judge
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21 ¹ As a result of this order, the court declines to consider Defendants' motion to strike the
22 complaint. (*See* Mot. to Strike (Dkt. # 14).) The court DIRECTS the Clerk to terminate this
motion at the time the Clerk closes this file.